

New Property Valuation Hike Due In Berrien

Tells Coup Attempt On Tri-CAP

Say Militants Are Waiting To Take Over

The Berrien County board of commissioners was asked Monday to throw its legal and personal support behind the Tri-County Community Action Program (Tri-CAP) which is in a life and death struggle to keep the anti-poverty agency in being.

Two commissioners, who also are members of the Tri-CAP board of directors, made the plea in response to a letter from the Chicago regional Office of Economic Opportunity about its tentative decision to discontinue financial assistance to Tri-CAP.

Commissioner Jacquelyn Zerlaut declared that an organization composed of "young, very militant blacks along with some whites" is waiting in the wings to take over as successor to Tri-CAP.

"They want this money for themselves," Mrs. Zerlaut said. Tri-CAP has applied for some \$800,000 funding for 1971.

NAMES GROUP

She identified the would-be successor group as C-MEDS—Comprehensive Multi-Economic Development System, and added that "they want to train the young people" with anti-poverty money. "If they do, then we are in trouble," Mrs. Zerlaut exclaimed.

Mrs. Helen Ford identified three former Tri-CAP employees who were discharged or quit in connection with her efforts to straighten out Tri-CAP administration as among founders of the contending organization. She identified them only by their former titles when she addressed the board of commissioners. Later she identified them to the press as Robert Rumney, former director of Neighborhood Youth Corps; Dale Kromminga, former financial officer, and Carl Brown, former director of manpower training.

Commissioner Victor Greer, who is a member of the Tri-CAP board along with Mrs. Zerlaut, said he would hate to see Tri-CAP scrapped now that Mrs. Ford is getting the agency turned around and on a responsible course.

SEEKS SUPPORT

"I would like to have the support of this board (commissioners) to have the kind of Tri-CAP we need in this community," Greer pleaded. "Now we've got the leadership. We've got the support of business. And now we need your help."

The regional OEO letter tell-



VICTOR GREER



MRS. ZERLAUT



ROBERT RUMNEY

ing the board of a tentative December decision to end funding to Tri-CAP, requested that the Berrien commissioners, along with Cass and Van Buren commissioners consider designating some other organization to receive anti-poverty program funds. Any new organization would need to be designated by the governing bodies of the three political jurisdictions, the OEO letter indicated.

Board Chairman Lad Stacey referred the OEO letter to the board's social services committee headed by Edward Mattix. Stacey asked for a report back at the February meeting.

'Warning' Is Given This Time

Those Tax Bills May Rise Again

The Berrien county board of commissioners put taxpayers on notice Monday that another round of property valuation increases is likely this year.

It was reported a tax equalization study is in progress that would update property valuations across a two-year gap, 1969 and 1970. A major revaluation of county real property last year had brought values up from the 1963 level to 1968 market figures.

"There's no question, there are going to be some increases throughout the various districts," said Commissioner Edward Mattix in announcing that a county department is preparing the new study of equalized property valuations across Berrien.

Generally, as equalized valuations rise so do the taxes paid on the property.

Mattix indicated he notified commissioners of the county equalization department study to avoid complaints of "no forewarning" like those that cropped up a year ago when the department began unveiling a report that ultimately led to a boost in county valuation from \$589 million up to a record \$705 million.

Also Monday, commissioners elected members to various county boards and commissions, bought items for county departments, and added their approval for a bigger bond sale than first expected to help finance an expansion of the twin cities sewage treatment plant.

EARLY WARNING

The county board of commissioners received the 1970 equalization study last April with little prior knowledge. Monday's notice that the new report may be finished in two to three weeks, Mattix said, gives commissioners and other municipal officials time to raise legitimate questions about valuations before commissioners act on the report in April.

The report producing the \$705 million valuation in 1970 covered the rise in property values from 1963 to 1968. The new report, Mattix said, will cover the period from 1968 through mid-1970. It is planned to have equalization reports, or studies of property valuations, carried out annually to avoid big jumps in valuation, Mattix said.

In addition to new valuations, the upcoming 1971 report could include valuations for certain agricultural, industrial and commercial properties that were never completed in time for the 1970 report, said Equalization Director Charles Knapp.

When Mattix's subcommittee is satisfied with Knapp's newest report, copies will go to commissioners and taxing units for review, Mattix said.

BOND SALE OKAYED

With prior approval by the two cities and the county public works board, county works board commissioners Monday granted their okay for a bond sale of \$1.8 million—up \$300,000 from a former approved sale—at a maximum of 7 1/2 per cent interest to help finance a Benton Harbor-St. Joseph sewage plant. (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)

All-Phase Electric Inventory Sale. —Adv.



CONE CAPER: Young South Vietnamese ice cream peddler carries her ice cream and cones on her head at the Saigon Zoo as she attempts to earn a living for herself in the restaurant business. (AP Wirephoto)

NAACP Head Hits Violence

McKenzie's Statement Calls For Equal Opportunities

Hershel McKenzie, president of the Benton Harbor branch, NAACP, issued a statement today condemning violence of any kind by anyone—black or white, students, citizens or police.

In referring to the crisis at Benton Harbor high school, McKenzie said:

"Desegregated and integrated education must be preserved for the preservation of the community, state and nation."

Complete text of the statement:

"The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People does not condone violence or destruction of property of any kind by anyone—black or white, students, citizens, or police. Radical action by militants cannot be condoned any more than we could approve of the radical activities of Ku Klux Klan."

"Equal justice and educational opportunities are a must! The NAACP has pleaded with the Benton Harbor school community over the past years for desegregated and integrated educational opportunities throughout the school system."

"Parents and citizens of this community must seek these qualities and they must show concern for the preservation of all youth at all times at all schools whether they be black or white."

"Desegregated and integrated education must be preserved for the preservation of the community, state and nation."

McKenzie also said the NAACP is proposing an integrated system of hall monitors for the high school involving males and females.

All-Phase Electric Inventory Sale. —Adv.

20% to 50% sale. V. J. George Boutique. St. Joseph. —Adv.

Benton Harbor High Reopens At Half Force

No Trouble As Classes Are Started

Black Militants Continuing To Urge Boycott

Benton Harbor high school reopened for classes this morning with Principal David Hartenbach reporting attendance at slightly more than 50 per cent.

Hartenbach said 575 students were present on the shift for juniors and seniors. Attendance appeared closely divided between black and white. There were no disturbances as classes started.

Black militants had called for a boycott and up to 50 adults were outside senior high as classes started at 7 a.m. The number dropped later in the bitter cold.

After senior high opened, civil rights militant Maurice Bishop appeared at Benton Harbor junior high with a group of young adults about 8 a.m. Attempts were made to dissuade students from attending school with cries of "Y'all come out. There ain't no school today. That policeman ain't going to shoot you."

About 20 students were observed leaving the school at one time. Principal Rod Halstad said attendance appeared below normal.

OBSERVERS ARRIVE

Supt. Mark E. Lewis this morning at senior high greeted two out-of-town observers from the Michigan Civil Rights Commission. The commission's Detroit office said they were to offer their assistance if needed and no formal investigation was planned.

The observers are Russell Johnson, regional manager, and Robert Donaghy, field representative, both of Grand Rapids.

They were accompanied by the Rev. Lawrence Crockett of the Benton Harbor civil rights commission office and the Rev. Eugene Wallace, president of the local United Ministers.

Lewis told a newsman he hoped the civil rights of all students would be considered by the team.

Lewis also prepared to welcome a four-person investigative team—four persons from the State Department of Education assigned to study disorder in the schools and the impact on the community.

STUDENTS SUSPENDED

Hartenbach reported 51 students had been placed on indefinite suspensions and 28 others suspended pending further investigation as a result of last Friday's riot that left more than 100 panes of glass smashed and much of the school's cherished trophy collection.

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Ex-President Ruthven Of U-M Is Dead

ANN ARBOR (AP) — Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven, who was president of the University of Michigan 22 years until his retirement in 1951, was found dead at his home today. He was 88.

A neighbor found Ruthven dead in front of a television set, police said.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.



CONDITION CRITICAL: The condition of Sen. Richard B. Russell worsened during the night, doctors reported in Washington today. His condition is now critical, they said. Russell has been in the hospital since Dec. 8 for treatment of a respiratory ailment. (AP Wirephoto)

Black, White Unity Is Sought

Shouting Dissidents Disrupt School Peace Session

A Citizens Advisory council meeting of Benton Harbor area schools was disrupted last night by shouting blacks who appeared to re-enforce demands on the beleaguered school district.

About 1,000 persons, black and white, jammed the high school auditorium. Purpose of the meeting was a report by Principal David Hartenbach on disorder at the high school.

Among the developments:

• A call for an immediate black boycott of the Benton Harbor school system.

• A black demand for amnesty for students charged with participation in Friday's riot.

BISHOP ENTERS

Shouting erupted after some 200 blacks lead by civil rights activist Maurice Bishop entered the high school auditorium where Hartenbach was discussing last Friday's rampage which he called preplanned. He called it "a tragic story."

Hartenbach had received applause when he said: "No school and this school particularly will not tolerate any violent students."

He charged student rioters were "terribly misled" and that 75 to 80 who participated will receive notices of suspension. They will get hearings and decisions can be appealed to the superintendent and the school board.

Hartenbach war n e d t h e r e would be threats and intimidation to get students to join a boycott.

He called on blacks and whites to break down the wall

between them as the only way to promote peace in the school system. "I ask you to join in constructive means of creating a positive society here in Benton Harbor."

Shouting developed during a question and answer session and some whites in the audience left as did Hartenbach when the meeting was adjourned.

It was reopened with Bishop saying: "We're not here to start a fight, we're here to solve a problem."

SOME RECONCILIATION

Other blacks aired grievances and demands. A degree of reconciliation was reached near the end when the Rev. Robert DeFrance said, "Blacks and

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Chrysler, UAW Reach Accord!

BULLETIN

DETROIT (AP) — The United Auto Workers and Chrysler Corp. have reached tentative agreement on a new three year contract covering 110,000 production employees in the United States and Canada, UAW President Leonard Woodcock announced today.

The union ordered all its men to stay on the job beyond a 10 a.m. strike deadline while negotiators continue work on the section of the contract covering 10,000 salaried personnel.

POW's Gone But Viet Raiders Take Prisoners!

SAIGON (AP) — South Vietnamese paratroopers guarded by U.S. helicopter gunships, raided a suspected prisoner of war camp inside Cambodia where 20 Americans were be-

lieved held but found it empty, Vietnamese sources said today. The raiding party, however, captured 30 enemy soldiers, the sources reported. The raiding party was led by Lt. Gen. Do

Cao Tri, leader of South Vietnamese's Cambodian campaign last spring.

The raid took place Sunday and lasted three hours. "It worked perfectly," said

one officer. "We suffered no casualties."

The raid was based on intelligence that American prisoners were being held in an area west of the Cambodian town of Mira-

ot along Highway 7. Mimot is 75 miles northwest of Saigon and about five miles inside Cambodia.

The sources said a fleet of South Vietnamese helicopters

landed about 300 paratroopers with U.S. helicopter gunships escorting them.

American ground advisers accompanied the paratroopers to the border.

Tri, who commands the 3rd military region guarding Saigon, landed with the raiding party.

EARLIER MISSION

The operation recalled the un-

successful raid Nov. 21 by helicopter-borne American commandos on the Son Tay prisoner of war camp 20 miles west of

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Editorial Page

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Super V Less Than Super

Back five football seasons ago, Pete Rozelle whom the National Football League plucked from the Los Angeles Rams' public relations office to be its czar dreamed up the frosting on the cake for his associates.

The NFL champion would meet the American Football League leader in a postseason game to decide the football crown.

The idea was not original to Rozelle. Many sportswriters had urged it and every fan of an AFL team had been saying for quite some time that a playoff was in order.

Pete supplied the organizational genius to put the concept to work.

Not all of his bosses among the NFL club owners were convinced that Super Bowl would do anything but raise the prestige of the upstart AFL.

Rozelle's masterful persuasion overcame the opposition.

His sales pitch to the balky owners was the Green Bay Packers. The Pack was then at its peak, so much so that many sportswriters felt the only way to defeat Vince Lombardi's proficient battlers would be to wait out Father Time's inexorable toll.

Rozelle's promise of NFL mastery and the financial return from Super Bowl I came through.

The Pack handled the Kansas City Chiefs as Notre Dame might treat with Harvard.

Lombardi's troops repeated in like fashion against the Oakland Raiders in the 1968 playoff.

The following year the Baltimore Colts replaced the aging Pack as the NFL representative. No one except the brash Joe Namath gave the New York Jets a prayer.

Namath's free wheeling predictions about his squad so tensed up the Colts they delivered Super III on a platter to the Jets.

Last year the AFL evened the series at 2-2 by the Chiefs double teaming the Minnesota Vikings' defensive mainstay, Carl Eller, a tackle. The Vikes who were supposed to live up to their sobriquet of the Purple People Eaters had false plates in their mouths that dismal day. The loss was all the more humiliating because the Chiefs had backed into the AFL championship through the rear door route of two other league teams stumbling over their shoe laces.

If nothing else, however, the first four Super Bowls delivered the brand of football the public has come to expect from the pros.

Sunday displayed something else.

The two champs which the dopsters had picked for an ap-

pearance were not on stage.

The gamblers had given good odds on the Raiders going to the Orange Bowl. The Vikes remained their favorite as the NFL entry. The San Francisco 49ers were a reasonable active second choice and before the Lions swooned to the 49ers, Detroit held a respectable third choice.

Instead the Colts who switched to the AFL under Rozelle's expansion and merger tapestry woven in 1969 and the Dallas Cowboys glared at one another.

Since their founding in 1960 the Cowboys have been the NFL's "always a bridesmaid but never a bride."

Basically, a well coached team of individually superior talent, the Cowboys have earned a solid bread and butter percentage in regular season play but have developed stage fright in the do or die of No. 1 emergence.

In a game which had few equals for fumbles, broken plays and critical pass interceptions, the Colts outlucked the Cowboys in the contest's waning seconds.

Though the TV broadcasters and the newspaper writers disagree on the narrowness of the timing, we recall that the Colts put a field goal through the crossbar with nine seconds remaining. That required four seconds. The ensuing kickoff ate up another four, and in the final desperation pass from Dallas a Colt intercepted again.

In fairness to both teams and their coaches, the defense dominated all the way, forcing the offensive thrust into errors which even a high school coach rarely expects to happen.

If Super V was less a game than its predecessors, the financial outcome set a new record. Better than 80,000 paid a premium to jam into the Orange Bowl and an estimated 60 million Americans were glued to the boob tube Sunday afternoon.

Should Rozelle fail to receive a rewarding amendment to his contract, then our optimistic outlook on man's innate gratitude will be re-examined.

Super V was less than superb, but it was far from a total loss.

It filled a Sunday afternoon which in the northern clime at least brings on an indoor impatience because of the weather.

It should have lined a number of pocketbooks besides those of the players.

It may well supply a contrast for Super VI.

The team we were worrying about came through.

Finally, except for an all-pro star game next Sunday, the U.S. housewife may regain a share of TV viewing time for the next seven or so months.

Criminal Code Revision

Certainly there is the meat of much controversy in the recommendations produced, after four years of study, by the Commission on Reform of Federal Criminal Laws. The recommendations run the gamut of some of the most controversial issues of the times.

Heading the list is the marijuana recommendation. Present federal law makes possession of narcotics a misdemeanor, punishable by one year in prison. The Commission would separate marijuana and other abusable drugs from hard narcotics such as heroin and the hallucinogens. The Commission would make possession of marijuana an infraction punishable by fines, but not by a prison sentence.

Other recommendations are only slightly less controversial. The death penalty would be abolished for all federal crimes. The possession, manufacture or sale of all hand guns would be outlawed, except for law enforcement agencies.

It would become a federal crime for persons to engage in "para military activities," defined as "acquisition, caching, use, or training in the use of weapons for political purposes by or in behalf of an association of ten or more persons."

Defendants who disrupt their criminal trials could be charged with a separate misdemeanor, providing up to a year in jail, but the defendant could demand a jury trial and thus evade the contempt power now exercised by judges.

There is more, but the principle recommendations ought to keep protagonists and antagonists busy for some time. The debate, however, must be tempered by the realization that the administration of justice is only as successful as public support for the laws administered.

The ocelot gets its name from the Latin "ocellus," meaning a small eye. This refers to the animal's being marked with small spots or "eyes."

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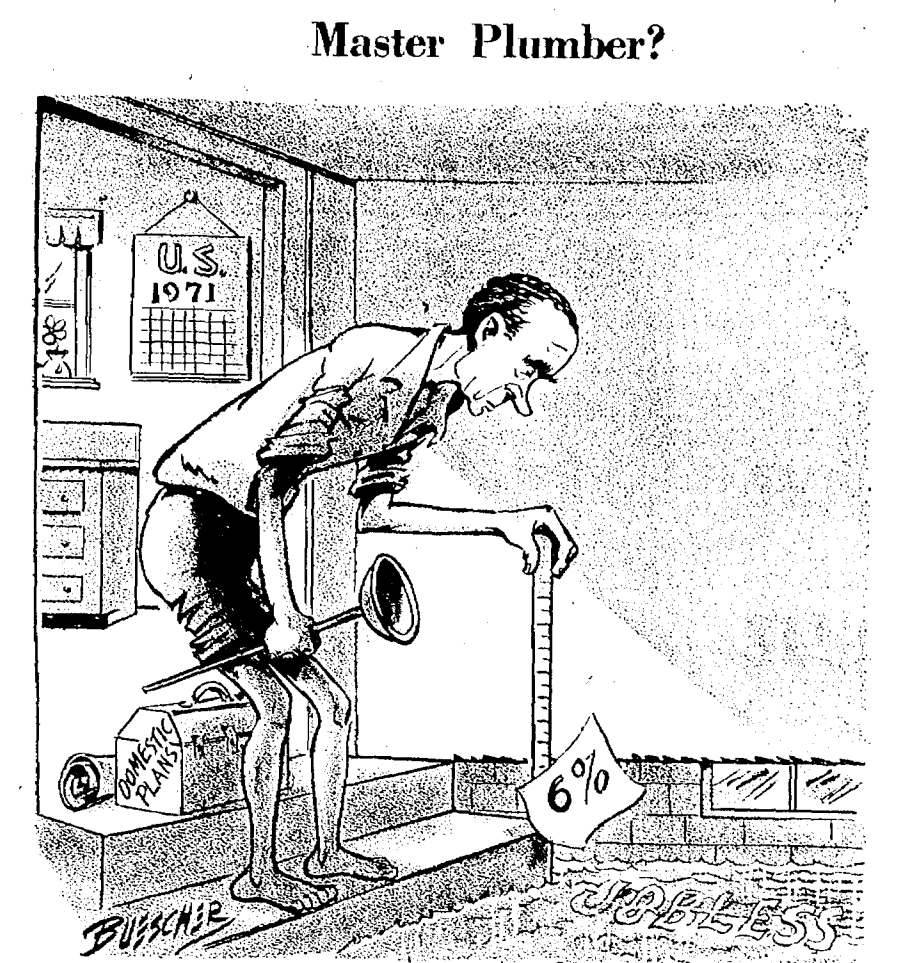
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GLANCING BACKWARDS

BO DISCOUNTS PRESSURE
—1 Year Ago—
University of Michigan football coach Bo Schembechler said he doesn't think the pressure of the Rose Bowl had anything to do with his heart attack.

SOLEMN AT INAUGURATION
—30 Years Ago—
Franklin D. Roosevelt, solemnly taking his third presidential oath beneath the capitol's sunflecked dome, proclaimed to defense-minded Americans today that "our strong purpose is to protect and perpetuate the integrity of democracy."

BEARS TOPS
—60 Years Ago—
The basketball team of the St. Joseph high school clashed last night with the Benton Harbor team at the armory in that city, the local boys winning by a score of 41 to 5. The victory was an easy one for the local boys who outclassed the team from across the river at every stage of the game. A stellar game was played by John D. Preston and Charles Tene, who were largely responsible for the high score rolled up.

ASK ELECTION ON ANNEXATION
—10 Years Ago—
Six Shoreham property owners have petitioned the Berrien county board of supervisors to set an election date on the annexation of their property to the City of St. Joseph.

RETURNS SOON
—30 Years Ago—
Miss Della Stoner expects to return tomorrow to resume her place at the central telephone office.

ELECTED PRESIDENT
—10 Years Ago—
Lester D. Huber, owner of the Huber Jewelry store, was elected to serve the St. Joseph Retail Merchants association as president for the next 12 months. He succeeds Ralph Newland, manager of the Newland Furniture store.

AWARDED PICTURE
—50 Years Ago—
A large framed picture of

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Minister Comments On School Situation

Editor, The Herald-Press:

Last Friday I was shocked, amazed, and hurt at what happened on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s anniversary. I am sure that those who would hide behind the fact that someone had forgotten to honor Dr. King, did not know the hurt that would have been his if he could have seen the disgrace committed in his name, if that was their excuse. I knew Dr. King and know that he would not have approved.

I am further amazed at the adults who are advocating that the parents follow in the leadership of many of these under-achieving students who are helping to cause the trouble either on their own or at the encouragement of some adult. Counsel with them, "yes!" Follow blindly their leadership when they have nothing to offer. "NO!" I feel that at least I have a little experience. If nothing else, and I am willing to do what I can to straighten out the situation.

I have witness that I and a member of the Board of Education asked a group of students what was the matter after the first disruption. I asked not for generalizations but to name time and places of incidents and name names but I have yet to have anyone come forward and give me an answer. My offer still stands and I believe that there are other clergymen in this city who will go to the bat for our youth if they will come forward with real facts.

I must remind you that with rights go responsibilities. The lack of respect for property and other people showed that whoever took part in this farce were not ready to be granted further rights until they used the rights in their hands—due process of law and opportunity to make a further intelligent request, if not satisfied.

I am aware that things are not entirely as they should be at the High School but I weep at the destruction and damage done for years to come. How many of those students or their families are able to replace the damage done to building and articles? What we say and do is a reflection upon our own character and home and race.

I was frustrated when I went to high school but my parents had drilled a little bit of respect in me so that I didn't dare disrespect another. The best I could do was to kick a can, or tree, or something. Don't hand me the line that this is 1971. Respecting the rights of others (by the way isn't that what you are fighting for) is never out of date. It may be a shame that you are cruder than your parents were but don't count it a virtue.

Let me quote Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., if you please: "I am convinced beyond the shadow of a doubt that the philosophy of nonviolence will redeem the soul of America. . . . This is one of the chief aims of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference: to broadly disseminate through intensive training the heart of nonviolence, that our commitment to nonviolence will not only be a technique, but shall become for us a way of life with love and redemption as its center."

We talk about more black members on the Board of Education. How do you get more black members? When are we responsible adults going to learn to get together and use the ballot box to express our desires and wishes. You can't do it sitting at home. You can't do it on the phone or talking off the wall. You have to get out and vote. Listen to Dr. King. . . . It must be recognized that the right and proper use of the ballot is vital in our struggle for first class citizenship."

May I say a word of caution to others. To me America is the best country in the world. Congregations had better do a little Christianizing and missionary work at home. We had better stop being hypocritical and start really practicing what we preach. America must not merely talk about democracy

abroad and sending troops to protect other people's rights abroad without doing something at home. The torch of freedom has been lit and will not be soon put out. We must stop playing games with each other. Here at home, we must not fan the flames of what is happening by our own untoward behavior.

Friends, let us love one another in deed and in truth.

More anon.
C. WESLEY GORDON,
Pastor Union Memorial A.M.E. Church
Benton Harbor

WILLIAM RITT

You're Telling Me!

Scientists say that in "one or two years" instruments measuring tilt of the Earth may warn of earthquakes. It's always good to know about a shakeup ahead of time.

At first glance, measuring the tilt of the Earth seems sensible. On second thought, it may be disturbing to know how far off an even keel we are.

Computerized data shows that the earthquakes in California last June gave warning signs 25 hours ahead. Great shakes, those computers.

REV. C. WESLEY GORDON

THE ANSWER QUICK!

1 — Does the earth rotate on its axis from east to west or from west to east?

2 — What Roman emperor first persecuted the Christians?

3 — What was the "Holy Grail" of Arthurian legend?

4 — Who was Susan Brownell Anthony?

5 — What was the nationality of Sarah Bernhardt?

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1915 the first patent was awarded for neon tube advertising sign.

BORN TODAY

Edgar Allan Poe thought of himself as primarily a poet. He is respected for his books of criticism and for the day-to-day newspaper reviews he turned out.

And yet, his fame rests securely on his tales of horror. His stormy life postponed an honest evaluation of his place in American literature. An unscrupulous literary executor added to this confusion about Poe.

The child of theatrical parents, he was orphaned early in life. He was taken into the home of John Allan, who did not adopt him, but became his godfather.

The Allans moved to England, where Poe studied at a classical academy. During the next decade, he and his god-

father quarreled frequently and, when Mrs. Allan died and her widower remarried, the two severed relations.

Poe entered and left several schools, including West Point, and entered the army — all before he came to New York in 1831.

He published his "Poems" and won a story contest with "MS. Found in a Bottle." His newlyfound reputation gained him the editorship of Southern Literary Messenger in Virginia.

He moved on to Philadelphia to work on a magazine. In 1836, he married his 13-year-old cousin, Virginia Clemm. She died eleven years later and he addressed his famous "Annabel Lee" to her.

Poe came to New York in 1845 and worked on the "Evening Mirror," which published his poem "The Raven." The poem established his national reputation.

Among his more famous works are "Pit and the Pendulum," "Gold Bug," "The Tell Tale Heart," "The Purloined Letter" and "Murders in the Rue Morgue."

A series of drinking bouts left him exhausted. He died in 1849 at the age of 40.

Others born today include James Watt, Robert E. Lee.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1 — West to east.

2 — Nero.

3 — The cup used by Jesus at the Last Supper.

4 — A pioneer leader in the women's suffrage movement.

5 — French.

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

A friend of mine, a famous orthopedic surgeon, practicing in the heart of New York City, was mugged today.

At 10:30 this morning, a bright sunny day, he was attacked by two youths who flashed a knife, cut his clothes, held his head back in a strangling position, stole his money and watch, and threw him to the ground.

All of this happened within 100 yards of the Dr. Coleman hospital whose operating room he had just left.

Both boys were later captured and identified as heroin addicts.

No more poignant comment on the experience could be made than that of my friend's. He said, "I felt despoiled, physically and emotionally insulted, and had a deep sense of sorrow that this was a way of life for so many young people caught in the deadly trap of narcotics."

No era in the history of man has been filled with as many wondrous scientific achievements as the past four decades.

And we are just beginning to uncover the leads to even greater scientific wizardry.

Hidden away, and almost totally overlooked, is a research project into the effects of malnutrition.

A group of scientists have come to the conclusion that there is a direct relationship between the intellectual development of the child and his nutrition.

At the Denver General Hospital in Colorado, Dr. H. Peter Chase showed that dietary deficiency in young children can cause retardation in mental development.

How sad that deficiencies in good nutritious food should be the unhappy birthright of any of our children.

For many, the world of plenty is, and will be, a world of nothing.

The valuable relationship between the doctor and his patients is no mere accident. It is the end result of years of mutual trust.

Physicians value this binding relationship as much as do their patients, and keenly feel a sense of despair if it is undermined by misunderstanding.

When a problem arises that seems to threaten the good relationship, the only way to preserve it is by open and frank discussion. If the problem is a medical one or an economic one, it must not be allowed to flourish and destroy that which has been so carefully nourished.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Nail-biting in children and adults reflects inner tensions that should be investigated.

Dr. Lester Coleman has prepared a special booklet for readers of the column entitled, "Pay Attention to Your Heart." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed 6-cent stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., P.O. Box 5170, Grand Central Station, New York, N. Y. 10017. Please mention the booklet by title.

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J7
♥ A J4
♦ K762
♣ A Q J 10

WEST
♠ K 10 6 5
♥ 6 5
♦ Q 8 3
♣ K 9 6 5

EAST
♠ A 9 3 2
♥ 9
♦ J 10 5 4
♣ 8 7 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q 8 4
♥ K Q 10 8 7 3 2
♦ A 9
♣ 4

The bidding:

North East South West
1NT Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass 4NT Pass
5♥ Pass 6♥

Opening lead — six of hearts.

Yesterday we discussed this imaginary hand where the British star Terence Reese stole the contract by winning the trump lead and playing the A-Q of clubs on which he discarded the nine of diamonds! West won and shifted to the queen of diamonds — and that was the end of poor West.

Today we have Karl Schneider of Austria playing the hand with equal success, but in an entirely different manner. Schneider introduced an even greater degree of guile into his

scheme by winning the trump lead in dummy and returning the jack of spades at trick two!

It is hard to fault East for failing to take the ace and play a spade right back. He naturally hopes that declarer will follow low and lose the trick to West's (assumed) queen.

East's hopes do not quite materialize when West wins with the king and leads another trump. It is difficult for West to imagine that declarer's first move would be to attack a suit where he is lacking the A-K.

West's trump return proves expensive when Schneider wins, finesses the ten of clubs, cashes the ace, discarding a spade, ruffs a club, cashes the ace of diamond and plays three more rounds of trumps.

At this point South's remaining cards are the queen of spades, a heart and a diamond. Dummy still has the K-7 of diamonds and queen of clubs. West the Q-8 of diamonds and king of clubs. East the ace of spades and J-10 of diamonds.

Declarer now leads his last trump and both defenders in turn succumb to a squeeze.

Tomorrow, in this space, the Swiss star Jean Besse plays the hand altogether differently and shows that it is absolutely impossible to defeat the slam once a trump is led. Don't miss it.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

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Twin City
News

Zoning Changes Approved

SJ Township Riles Residents

Landowners Win Some Points In Battle

By ALAN AREND
Staff Writer

Of 14 proposed zoning changes adopted last night by the St. Joseph township board, two drew heavy criticism from some 125 residents in attendance.

Long Hunt For Tavern Site Ends

The long search for a tavern site apparently ended with success for Mrs. Sarah Cook.

Benton Harbor city commission, with little comment, approved unanimously the transfer of tavern license and dance permit held by Mrs. Cook from 127 Market street to 421 Teritorial road.

The Territorial road address was the location of Martorano's pizza restaurant until recently when Martorano moved to 2517 Niles avenue, St. Joseph.

The old Sarah Cook tavern site at 127 Market has been torn down under the city's urban renewal program.

Mrs. Cook vacated the Market street building Nov. 7, 1968. She had leased that building acquired by the urban renewal department in November, 1966. The tavern remained open two years after this purchase.

Since 1968, Mrs. Cook had been referred by the urban renewal department to about 45 possible locations. She rejected many of the possible sites, while at others, organizations or area residents objected to a tavern.

The commission reported that Mrs. Cook has held her license for beer and wine in escrow under rules of the State Liquor Control Commission.

ACTION DELAYED

In another tavern-related matter, the commission deferred condemnation action on substandard property at 106 Water street—site of the Lions bar, ordered closed Dec. 31 by city officials. The closing was ordered when bricks reportedly fell away from a supporting beam and posed a hazard. It was feared that the front of the building could collapse. The building adjoined the former Enders building, torn down at Water and Main by the Stock trust.

Tax Sharing Program Endorsed

St. Joseph city commissioners Monday night passed a resolution endorsing an immediate and substantial federal program for tax sharing with state and city governments.

The endorsement had been urged in a letter from the Michigan Municipal League, whose board of trustees early in January commended President Nixon for his support of such a program.

City Manager Leland Hill said a tax-sharing program probably would operate on a per-capita basis, with some provisions for need, but without the numerous restrictions now a part of federal programs. Such a program, he commented, "could be a real asset to the cities and states."

Copies of the resolution will be sent to leaders of national and state government.

In another matter, Hill told commissioners the city spent \$17,621 for snow and ice removal through Jan. 9, compared with \$24,431 at this time last year. The total bill last winter was \$63,000.

In the only other business, commissioners started action against a building at 931 Harrison avenue, determined below city standards by the safety inspector. They set their regular meeting in 30 days for the owner, H. J. Sanchez, to tell whether he plans to renovate or demolish the structure.

Vociferous arguments were heard from the floor in an effort to change the board's motions on two pieces of land along Cleveland avenue south of Hawthorne. The meeting lasted four hours.

The motions called for the lands to be changed from a single-family residential district to a two-family residential district and a commercial business district.

A large majority of those in attendance wanted the land in question left as is, but the board adopted both changes to the dissatisfaction of the residents.

Item 4 was the rezoning of what was termed the "Lucker" property from the railroad tracks to Cleveland avenue south of Hawthorne from a one-family residential district to a two-family residential district.

Item 3 involved the rezoning of the property on Hawthorne avenue east of the railroad tracks to Cleveland avenue, from single-family residential to a commercial business district.

OUT IN FORCE

Residents of Karen court, Washington and Hawthorne avenues, were out in full force in opposition to the proposals. One resident of the area, Carroll W. Gerbel, reminded the board of a petition presented to the board at its Dec. 7th meeting which contained 94 signatures of residents in opposition to the change. He stated the petition represented about 85 per cent of the residents in that area.

Discussion on the matters mainly centered around the home owners efforts to preserve the residential status of land on both sides of Cleveland avenue, between Hawthorne avenue and Brown School road.

H. C. Wagner, 1637 Karen court, asked for a show of hands to give the board an indication of the opposition to these motions. Only one person indicated he was for the two changes, and nearly everyone in the township hall raised their hands in opposition.

Both motions were passed in separate votes of the board, by the same count—four trustees favored the changes, one was against, and one abstained from voting.

HOW THEY VOTED

Trustees Robert DeVries, Carl Reschke, Edwin Brink, and Tony La Mantia voted for the zoning changes; Larry Larsen was opposed; and Bill Smith abstained in both votes.

"We've seen tonight that the township board is not responsive to the desires of a majority of the property owners involved," Gerbel, vice chairman of the St. Joseph Township Better Government committee, said after the vote.

Wagner asked the board members who voted in favor of the proposal to explain their reasons for doing so.

Brink said that it was not easy to vote against the wishes of those in attendance, but the effects of these changes must be considered in the overall planning of the township needs. Reschke said the township is starved for additional tax base needs and felt a favorable vote would help to increase the tax base in future years.

POINT DISPUTED

La Mantia said duplex housing would bring in more money tax-wise than single family dwellings. This point was loudly disputed and brought a few laughs from the residents.

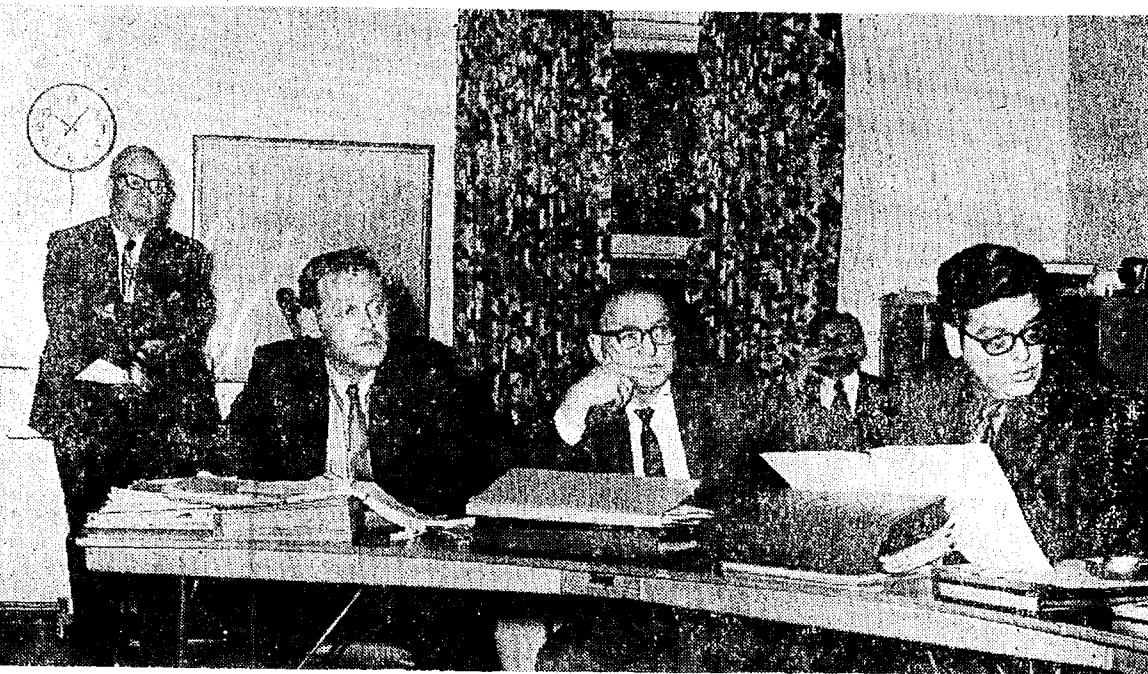
DeVries said he felt the residents "were sold down the river" on the matter and that the future of the overall township must be taken into consideration.

Wagner, then charged vocally that "the four gentlemen up there" pointing to the board members, had just sold the residents down the river.

After this action, and after discussion on the final two proposed zoning changes (Items 1 and 2) the board withdrew its earlier motion concerning its recommendations for parcels of property encompassed by Hick-



RESIDENTS EXPRESS OPINION: A large majority of audience opposed to two zoning changes adopted by the St. Joseph township board last night expressed their disapproval by show of hands prior to the adoption.



VOTED FOR CHANGES: Three of the St. Joseph township board members who voted for two zoning changes against the wishes of residents in attendance at last night's meeting are seen seated from left: Robert DeVries, Carl Reschke and Edwin Brink. Supervisor Orval Benson is standing at far left. Board member E.A. Larsen voted against the two zoning changes and Bill Payne Smith, abstained from voting on the two matters. A total of 14 zoning items were adopted at the meeting. (Staff photos)

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PSA Names Merle Durren Chairman; Son Is President

At the age of 14, Robert Durren was issued a work permit which allowed him to clean the stock room at the Peoples Savings Association's offices in Benton Harbor.

Eighteen years later, Durren has been named president of the Association to succeed his father, Merle P. Durren, who now becomes chairman of the board and treasurer.

The promotions of the Durrens were announced Monday night at the 46th annual shareholders meeting at which time all other officers were re-elected to their present posts.

The new PSA president is a 1956 graduate of Benton Harbor

high school and attended Lake Michigan College for the next two years after which he attended various computer schools in Chicago and Dayton.

In 1963, the PSA installed its first computer system which is now called one of the most practical computer systems in the state.

Young Durren received his diploma from the American Savings and Loan Institute in the savings and loan field in 1965. In 1970, the new president graduated from the University of Southern California's advanced management program.

At the present time, Durren is instructing the Association's savings and loan staff on two courses from the Savings and Loan Institute.

Durren moves into the president's chair after serving one year as executive vice-president and a vice president for four years.

Young Durren is only the fourth president of the Association which was formed in 1925 by S. E. Doster who served as its president until 1927 when H. B. Ross was elected to the top post and also served as chairman of the board.

Ross held both positions until 1949, a period of 22 years, the same time which the elder Durren has held the post. Through all of those years, Durren was "acting" chairman of the board, but it was not until Monday night that he was officially named to the job.

The new board chairman is a native of Dowagiac and worked in a foundry in that city for three years until he came to Benton Harbor.

His first job with PSA was that of secretary-treasurer.

Officers re-elected at Monday night's meeting include: Dr. Robert Reagan, vice president; Paul Freudenburg, vice president; Ronald Treichel, vice

president; Donald Hild, vice president; B. G. Roberts, vice president; Bertha Durren, secretary; Myron Lockwitz, assistant vice president; Loretta Pedde, assistant secretary; Mary Alexander, assistant secretary; Shirley Graeber, assistant secretary-treasurer and Norma Leonard, assistant secretary.

RECORD YEAR

According to Merle Durren's final report to the stockholders, 1970 was a record year for the Peoples Savings Association. Assets, according to the report, increased by \$5,073,057.27 giving

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MERLE P. DURREN

St. Joe Law Firm Names New Partner

The shingle identifying the St. Joseph law firm of Keller and Keller is expected to be lengthened by one name today. Harry J. Creager, an associate with the father and son firm of George and S. Jack Keller since May, 1968, was named a full partner this month.

A 1964 graduate of Notre Dame law school, Creager was a Berrien county assistant prosecuting attorney from June 1965 to May 1968. He and his wife, Sharon, live in the Ifagar Shore apartments on US-33 in Coloma.

Atty. Creager is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Creager, former St. Joseph residents who now reside in Kalamazoo.



ROBERT DURREN

Twin Theater Complex Being Planned In SJ

Building Will Begin In February

Construction on a twin theater complex in the South Town Shopping center, St. Joseph, is scheduled to begin in February with the opening slated for June, officials announced today.

Donald G. White, of Dowagiac, president, and Richard W. Insley, St. Joseph, vice president, of South Town Twin Theatres, Inc., said the twin facility will have 350 seats in each and be furnished with the latest projection and sound equipment.

The two new theaters will be the first in 15 years in St. Joseph. The former Caldwell theater located in the 400 block of State street in St. Joseph and built in 1913 stopped running Aug. 27, 1955. The building was torn down in 1960.

WELL-KNOWN REFEREE

White is a well-known high school and college referee. He owns two theaters in Dowagiac, one in the downtown area and the other a drive-in at M-40 and M-152. He is co-owner with his brother, Leonard, of White's Bowling alleys in Niles and is regional supervisor of the Michigan Department of Agriculture office, M-139, Benton township.

Attorney Insley has been developing the South Town Shopping Center for some time. Already in the area is a branch office of the Peoples Savings association, a Burger Chef restaurant and under construction is a new service station. Also to be included in the center is a food market and other stores.

PARKING, LUXURY

The two promoters said the new theaters will have plenty of free parking and the utmost in



DONALD G. WHITE

luxury furnishings. Seats will be spaced unusually far apart for more legroom and easier access.

Walls will be draped in both auditoriums to soften the acoustics and provide a clear but gentler sound.

Construction is scheduled to start on the 72-by-150-foot building early in February with the first shows scheduled for June.

White said Jerry Stockwell, manager of White's theater in Dowagiac for the past 10 years, will be the manager of the new theaters here.

Salaries To Be \$91,000 A Year

Pay Schedule Approved For Model Cities

Paid personnel of the Benton Harbor-Benton township Model Cities Program will receive up to \$91,000 in salaries during the program's first year of operation.

The money will be supplied from the federal department of Housing and Urban Renewal (HUD) which administers Model Cities programs over the nation.

Benton Harbor city commission last night approved the salary schedule, along with other resolutions related to the local Model Cities program. Benton township board of trustees also must approve the same resolutions under HUD's order that governmental units involved approve all phases of Model Cities operations. The program is unique here because it involves an area covered by two units of government.

The salary schedule:

Director of the Model Cities program, \$22,000; deputy director, \$15,000; an accountant, \$11,500; and three program planners, \$11,000 each. For legal services rendered, the Benton Harbor city attorney and Benton township attorney are to each receive \$30 an hour, but not more than \$5,000 a year.

Commissioner Daniel Chapman, liaison representative between the city commission and Model Cities program, presented the salary schedule and other resolutions. He said the pay rates were termed just by representatives of various agencies, including HUD and Michigan Employment Security commission.

Chapman said Ben Davis, the Model Cities director, formerly received \$20,000 a year. Chapman said other posts are to be filled.

One post, said Chapman, may be filled by a former Benton Harbor high school basketball great, John Rudley. Rudley now is employed in a Model Cities program at Toledo, Ohio.

Other resolutions: Establish a Model Cities checking account at Inter-City bank; authorize the city mayor, township supervisor, Director Davis and city treasurer to sign forms to receive federal money for the account; and authorize the mayor and city treasurer to sign for checks drawn on the account.

The Model Cities program here has been granted \$1.3 million for various projects under the first year's contract with HUD.

In other business, the commission approved an easement at Crystal Springs cemetery for Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. to provide electric lines to a new cemetery maintenance building under construction.

Fourteen bids for life insurance and death and dismemberment insurance for the city's 200 employees were received, but the commission postponed a selection pending a review of bids.

Lincoln Township Invites Tax Queries

Lincoln township taxpayers seeking information about their taxes are invited to an informal meeting Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the township hall.

Mrs. Charles Gordon, 1827 Clearwood drive, Stevensville, requested the meeting with township Supervisor Ernie Hauch and former supervisor and now State Rep. Harry Gast, Jr.

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Average Cost: \$4.25 A Month



RICHARD EASTMAN
Supports This Proposal



MARSHALL BADT
Coloma Schools President

Coloma Proposals Outlined

Voters Will
Go To Polls
Next Monday

By CLIFF STEVENS
Coloma Correspondent

COLOMA — A Coloma school officials last night said approval of the construction bond issues slated for referendum in the district Monday would add about \$4.25 a month to property taxes on an average piece of property.

School Board President Marshall Badt said "If both proposals are passed, the additional taxes will amount to only 5 mills. This means that on a house with a state equalized valuation of \$10,000 the cost would amount to an additional \$50 per year in property taxes."

A mill is equal to \$1 per \$1,000 of equalized property value.

Breaking the formula down and using the equalized valuation of \$1,000, the yearly property tax for proposition one, a \$2.4 million issue for classrooms, would amount to \$4.45, Badt noted. On proposition two, a \$1 million issue for gym and classrooms, the yearly property tax would equal 55 cents, or only \$5 per \$1,000 equalized valuation per year for both proposals.

SKETCHES UNVEILED

Badt also unveiled for the first time artist's sketches of the proposed additions to both the present high school and junior high school buildings. Badt spoke during a meeting of the FACT committee which is promoting passage of the issues. About 40 attended.

If passed the issues will finance new additions to present buildings, the construction of a middle school, and a gymnasium added to the present high school.

Detailed information concerning brochures prepared for distribution to school district residents was presented by Board Member Richard Eastman, and Badt.

DOOR-TO-DOOR

Badt told the audience that this marks the first time that school officials are using a door-to-door campaign to outline the needs of the school district. Similar proposals have been defeated three times in the past.

The FACT (Face A Critical Tomorrow) committee called last night's meeting to inform volunteer citizens about next Monday's vote. They in turn can visit 10 to 15 friends and neighbors in person on FACT Sunday, the day before the balloting.

Each volunteer will visit with a family for five minutes and answer questions pertaining to the issues. They will review the brochure and stress the importance of voting.

An estimated 3,500 brochures are to be mailed out today to the residents of the school district that reviews both proposals.

Badt announced that another FACT meeting would be held Thursday night at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Judge Says Father Must Pay \$1,466

A Coloma resident was ordered Monday in Berrien circuit court to pay off a \$1,466 support arrearage for two children on ADC at \$10 weekly, according to John Schoenhals, Berrien friend of the court.

The order from Judge Karl F. Zick to Edward Carl Beckman arose during a divorce proceeding. Beckman also was ordered to pay \$20 weekly support for the two children.

KILLED IN OHIO

EDON, Ohio (AP) — Francis Gilbert of Reading, Mich., was killed Sunday night in a car-truck intersection accident near Edon, just south of the Michigan-Ohio line. Also killed in the crash was 30-year-old William Stites of Butler, Ind.



WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Officers for 1971 for the Southwestern Michigan Council of NAREB were installed by regional vice president, Dorothy Michel, right, Monday night at the Holiday Inn in St. Joseph. From left, are H. Conny Dub, new state president for the Women's Council; Mary Lou Ross,

outgoing president and new publicity chairman; Bernice Rudell, secretary; Mary Housand, membership chairman, Edith E. Eltzroth, president, and Mrs. Michel. Not present for the ceremony were Val Dillman, vice president and legislation chairman, and Margaret G.V. Bishop, treasurer.

'Professionalism' Urged At Meeting

Realtors Install Buchanan Man New President

By ARLYS DERRICK
Women's Editor

Professionalism was doubly stressed by speaker and new president when Southwestern Michigan Board of Realtors, Inc., installed officers Monday night at the Holiday Inn in Benton Harbor.

Both Phil J. Sexton of Buchanan, who was installed as president, and C. LaVern Robbins, realtor from Battle Creek, emphasized that professional conduct on the part of realtors and real estate salesmen—both men and women—were necessary to raise their image in the eyes of the public.

Also installed were the officers of the Southwestern Michigan Women's Council of National Association of Real Estate Boards.

Taking office for 1971 for the Women's Council were Edith E. Eltzroth, realtor with Blue Creek Realty Corp., Benton Harbor, president; Val Dillman, realtor, Rice Real Estate, Hartford, vice president and legislation chairman; Bernice Rudell, saleslady, LaVern Rice Real Estate, Benton Harbor, secretary; Margaret G.V. Bishop, realtor, Benton Harbor, treasurer; Jesse Murdock, saleslady, Rice Real Estate, Watervliet, program chairman; Mary Housand, saleslady, Bun Baldwin Real Estate, Berrien Springs, membership chairman; Mary Lou Ross, saleslady, Totzke Real Estate, St. Joseph, publicity.

Officers serving with Sexton will be Nadja Ritter, New Buffalo, vice president; Walter Stefan, St. Joseph, secretary; Leonard Snyder, Niles, treasurer and directors Don Potter, Dowagiac; Leonard Hill, Lawton; Thomas Totzke, St. Joseph.

Success of women in selling real estate was attributed by both women to the natural insight of women into what other housewives, homemakers,

seph; Robert Wisner, Sawyer; Robert Findling, St. Joseph, and John Neumann, St. Joseph.

REALTORS ADDED

Four new realtors added to the Southwestern Michigan Board of Realtors were Everett Collins, Benton Harbor; G. Harold Baker, St. Joseph; Howard E. McLaughlin of Baldwin's, Berrien Springs, and Louis Jones, Berrien Real Estate, St. Joseph.

Also welcomed were over 70 associate members to the Southwestern group.

Robbins stressed that membership in the Southwestern group identified realtors and their associate members as members of a professional type organization where strength and numbers reflected quality of service, where members are asked to help out in solving problems instead of being accused of creating them (such as in the "open occupancy" problem of a few years ago), and where pooling efforts brings more cooperative sales for realtors and their salesmen.

INSTALLS GROUP

Regional director for the Women's Council, Dorothy Michel, and H. Conny Dub, new president of the State Council, installed the women's group.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: C. LaVern Robbins, left, Battle Creek, installed officers for 1971 for Southwestern Michigan Board of Realtors headed by Phil J. Sexton, Buchanan, right, new president. (Staff photos)

and mothers want in their homes.

Mrs. Michel, who is associated with Westdale Co. Realtors in Farmington, the mother of six children and a past president of the state group, said women are successful because "they have more patience" but that women have to prove themselves knowledgeable in such things as finances in their very first conversation before they are accepted by prospective customers.

Mrs. Dub comes from a three-generation family of real estate salesmen and realtors. She said the women's council was organized to secure information for women in real estate and its aim includes the three E's: Ethics, efficiency, and education for women real estate salesmen and realtors.

Van Buren Has New Librarian

Lansing Woman Named To Post

DECATUR — Miss Eileen L. Oehler, Lansing, has been appointed director of the Van Buren county library system, headquartered here.

Miss Oehler succeeds Mrs. Harriet Clemens, who has been acting director since county librarian Curt Bohling left the post in 1969. She was appointed by the county library board.

The new director comes to Van Buren county from Ann Arbor, where in 1962 she undertook the establishment of a library for Concordia Lutheran junior college.

A native of Lansing, she is a graduate of Michigan State university and has master degrees in library science and English literature from the University of Michigan.

IN BALTIMORE

Miss Oehler was reference librarian at a Baltimore library before returning to Michigan to serve on the reference staff of the state library at Lansing. In 1958 she was appointed head of the state library's reference section.

In addition to her accreditation as librarian, Miss Oehler also holds a Michigan permanent secondary teaching certificate and a school library certification for all grades. She has taught at Flint Community junior college and other Michigan public schools.

Miss Oehler said she hopes to reside in or near Decatur. She pledged close contact with staff members and library patrons at the county's six branch locations in Bangor, Bloomingdale, Covert, Gobles, Lawrence and Mattawan.

She said she also expects to continue the cooperative relationships with all neighboring libraries.

November Date Set By Council

Dowagiac Reschedules Elections

DOWAGIAC — The Dowagiac city council, in its final session before Mayor James Burke and five councilmen face a recall election in seven days, took steps last night to reschedule the city's annual balloting.

Under the council decision, city elections, formerly held each spring, will now be scheduled in November, to coincide with balloting on state issues and offices.

The move was made under the "Odd Year Elections" law, enacted by the state legislature. The law is an effort to reduce the number of elections required annually in incorporated cities.

The change will not effect the special election Monday in which the mayor and all except one city councilman are named on recall ballots.

NOT NAMED

Not named in the recall is Graham D. Woodhouse, appointed to fill a vacancy created by the death of Irvine Russell. His term will run until November.

The council, in other business, approved the rezoning of property at the rear of Judd Lumber company from residential to heavy industrial. The land is used for commercial purposes by the lumber company, which owns the property.

A request from Rudy Manufacturing company asking the city to vacate a portion of East Prairie Ronde street north of the city right-of-way was referred to the planning commission for study and a recommendation. The section of street extends about two blocks between Rudy road and Louise avenue.

Fire Chief Joseph Cauffman was given permission to advertise for sale a 1939 fire engine and a 1962 ambulance, both of which have been replaced. He said that no bid below \$200 for the fire truck would be considered.

Larry Rohacs was appointed by Mayor Burke to serve as street administrator, a move to meet state requirements.

ADDITIONAL POST

City Clerk Albert First was given the additional post as recreational director. He replaces former city manager Norman Gafney, who resigned as of Jan. 5 to accept a job at Plymouth. Gafney was a key figure in the controversy which has led to the recall election Monday.

Richard Bowsett was named to the planning commission to serve until June, 1973. Fred Dowsett was named to the board of review, to succeed Erwin Laylin, who has moved from the city.

The Dowagiac Exchange club was given permission to sponsor a professional carnival in the city to coincide with the merchants' Ridiculous Days promotion late in July. Exact dates will be set later.

At the request of the Dowagiac Jaycees, Burke proclaimed February "Do Something Month." More and better public restrooms were cited as possible projects by the sponsors.

Foundation Plans Addition To Headquarters

DETROIT (AP) — The Michigan Cancer Foundation Monday announced plans to build a five-story, \$4-million addition to its present, two-story headquarters building in Detroit.

Foundation spokesmen said the addition, to house 11 laboratories, is scheduled for completion in July, 1972. Ground breaking is set for March of this year.

The foundation, a United Fund agency, plans to hire 40 additional employees when the new structure is completed.

Would Make Parents Responsible

REDFORD TOWNSHIP (AP) — The Redford Township Board has followed the lead of several other Detroit suburbs in adopting an ordinance making parents criminally responsible for the actions of their juvenile children.

The board passed the ordinance, patterned on one originally adopted by Madison Heights, Monday night. Parents face a fine of up to \$100 and 90 days in jail for repeated offenses by their children.

Board Member Drops Opposition

Supports Coloma Schools Bond Proposals

COLOMA — A present Coloma school board member who opposed a previous school construction bond issue program said last night he "fully supports" current proposals slated for referendum Monday.

Richard Eastman, elected to the school board in June, said he supports the present package, totalling \$3.4 million, because it provides voters a choice.

Involved is a \$2.4 million issue to finance classroom construction and a \$1 million issue to finance a physical education building.

Eastman said his support for the program came because of the separate issues and because of his time on the board.

In June, Eastman was outspoken on a \$2.4 million bond proposal submitted to voters.

Eastman said, "Last June, the school board offered the same package that had been defeated twice before, and I feel that some of the items they

wanted were not really needed, and that caused its defeat. The approach used by the board gave me the opinion that it was a power play to force us (the voters) into approving the whole proposal."

CHOICE OFFERED

Eastman added, "Now we are offering the voters a choice, they can vote separately on the proposals. If they favor only classrooms fine, but they will have a choice. If the second proposal is defeated, we'll have to bring it up to a vote again, we need a gymnastic program for the high school, for we have no such program after they leave junior high."

Eastman has been active in promoting the new bonding proposal serving as vice-chairman for the FACT committee with board president Marshall Badt. The committee was formed to answer any questions which school district residents might have concerning the vote.

Covert Gets Petitions

Decision On Drag Strip Is Delayed

COVERT — Given conflicting petitions, the Covert township zoning commission adjourned last night without making a decision on a request to rezone the proposed site of a commercial drag strip.

The group's secretary, Mrs. Suella Van Dyke, said the board will study the request at an executive session and announce its recommendation "probably Monday."

The request concerns 63 acres on 76th street and Toocuin road, west of M-140, owned by Shelton Ware, Covert. Presently zoned agricultural, the board has been asked by Wilbur Hinkle, Covert, to rezone it for commercial use to permit construction of the strip.

Hinkle told the board he and "associates" plan to construct a \$150,000 commercial drag strip which will conform to National Hot Rod association standards for sanctioned competition.

He brought the request to the township board early in December. It was turned over to the zoning commission, which at

first recommended against it. The zoning group said its decision was influenced by 18 residents who attended a meeting to protest the plan.

The zoning commission agreed to hear the question again, however, after Hinkle present it with a petition bearing the names of persons in favor of the strip.

At last night's meeting Hinkle presented a second petition with 20 more signatures on it.

It was countered, however, with a petition from G. George Leonard, Coloma, bearing 38 signatures of persons who, Leonard said, are opposed to the rezoning.

The issue is further clouded, the board told the approximately 50 persons attending the hearing, by what appears to be signatures of several persons on petitions both "for" and "against" the request.

Mrs. Van Dyke said that these names will be disqualified from both petitions when the commission meets to consider its final recommendation. Leonard's petition, which stated that all of its signers resided within a radius of one mile of the proposed venture, spelled out three main objections.

• That the area is residential in nature with a moderate settlement of homes in the immediate vicinity of the proposed strip.

• That the increased flow of traffic to a commercial operation such as the drag strip would endanger children from nearby homes.

• That "those who follow drag racing events can bring harmful vice and other offenses" into the community.

Brighter Economic Picture Predicted

Banker Foresees Economy Picking Up Momentum

The demand is here for 1971 to be the start of a decade of real rather than inflated prosperity.

Authority for that statement is Samuel G. Creden, president of the First National bank of Southwestern Michigan, who on Monday noon gave the Twin City Rotary club his prediction for the immediate economic outlook.

The Niles banker also worked in the affirmation his faith in the area is so strong that he wants to participate in the Twin City phase of that development.

The second comment refers to a petition by First National, previously denied in 1967 and again last November, to establish a Fairplain branch office.

Creden obtained a rehearing on the November rejection on December 21.

This review will be conducted

as an adversary and open proceeding on February 25, starting at 10 a.m. (CST) in the Chicago regional office of the U.S. Comptroller of the Currency. The Comptroller's version of a court trial will be held in Room 715 at 164 West Jackson boulevard.

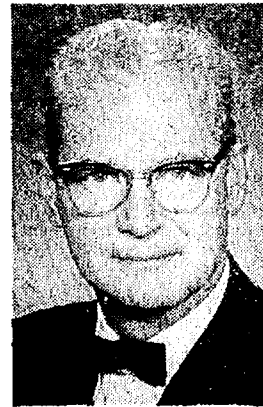
OPPOSE PETITION

All three, Twin City banks have indicated they will present an opposing view to the petition.

Creden defined the demand for an improvement over 1970's sideways movement in terms of purchasing power. Now on deposit in the financial institutions waiting for signal to trigger its spending.

He said he looks for housing construction, which has been dormant for two years, to set off this spending cycle which, in turn, will stimulate all other lines.

Automobiles, headed, could



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be another stimulus.

"The money is there, he said. The banks and the savings and loan institutions are loaded with deposits. Their holders are looking for only the slightest indication of a stabilization on inflation and government action, to mention two main factors, to begin feeding their money back into buying.

"The minute this spark shows, we shall find the economy picking up momentum," Creden continued.

"I see this same picture in our local situation," he added, "It's why I want to become a part of the Twin Cities."